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# Dear Sir/Madam.

As a part of Co-curricular Activities of the College, the Department of Economics cordially invite you to participate in the ICSSR-New Delhi (Ministry of Human Resource Development) Sponsored Two Day National Seminar on ""Role of Women Self Help Groups on Poverty Alleviation and Empowerment of Women in the Globalised Era". Eminent Resource Persons across the Universities have accepted our Invitation for Academic Deliberations. These deliberations would certainly help us in disseminating the knowledge amongst industrialists, Academicians, Teachers, Research Scholars and more so particularly the Student Community.

# About Gadwal:

Maharani Adi Laxmi Devamma Govt. Arts & Science College, Gadwal, the first college in our district, was established in 1960. Since inception this Institution has been providing need based Higher Education at an affordable cost to the Rural Youth and it has been accredited by NAAC with B+ Grade. The prince, Raja Krishnaram Bhoopal, generously donated the entire royal fort and also Rs. 25000 cash for the establishment of the college. Hence the college is named after erstwhile queen (Raja Krishnaram Bhoopal's grandmother) of Gadwal Samsthan. Gadwal, land that lies between the two holy rivers, the Krishna and Tungabhadra. Gadwal is popularly known as "VIDWAD GADWAL", as the rulers of Gadwal Samsthan had a great reputation for Language and Cultural Promotions. Gadwal, well connected by rail and road on the Hyderabad-Bangalore route, is situated 182 kms away from Hyderabad enrooted to Bangalore. Gadwal has a railway station and many trains in this route connect Gadwal to many important places across India including Delhi, Jaipur, Thirupathi, Bangalore, Mysore Chennai, etc. Bus Facility is frequently available from Kurnool to Gadwal & Raichur to Gadwal.

# Theme of the seminar

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one, never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest you" Mother Teresa"

Women empowerment is the important issue for the all-round growth of a nation. The self help group (SHG) plays an important role in deciding the women empowerment in the rural areas as SHG promotes the socioeconomic strength to the weaker section of the community and thereby encourage the uniform growth of the region. In spite of safeguards provided in many of the poverty alleviation programmes, it was observed that women, especially from poor sections of the community, could not be benefited. The basic issue that prevents women to participate whole-heartedly in the nation building is the lack of economic independence. Our planners and policy makers have been eagerly searching for certain alternatives. The participatory approach to development has emerged as a vital issue in developmental policies and programmes for women. The Self Help Group approach is considered as one of the most significant tools to adopt participatory approach for the empowerment of women. The SHGs help in empowerment of women both socially and economically. The empowerment of women through SHGs would give benefits not only to the individual woman but also for the family and community as a whole through collective action for development. It is pertinent to mention that as per FAO's definition, SHG is "an informal association of individuals formed to accomplish certain objectives". In India a self-help group is economically homogeneous group of 10-20 rural poor persons who come together to save small amount regularly vis-à-vis the same is given as loan to other members by charging little interest rate. It generally performs various types of economic activities with the help of their thrift. Presently, the poor women of the society are facing the financial problem to start business or to undertake different economic activities to become self-employed and self-reliant. The SHG approach can address the economic issue and thus empower poor women by providing credit through their own savings in the economic development process of the society.

# Objectives:

- To analyze the correlation between women Self Help Groups and Removal of Poverty.
- To study the different dimensions of economic empowerment of women through Income Generating Activities.
- To discuss the role of women in India's Inclusive Growth in the context of Globalised era and how Women can increase the velocity of inclusive Growth, through capacity building.
- To examine the strategy of different developmental programmes initiated by the Government on the empowerment of women.
- To review the progress and evaluate the performance impact of Srinidhi Programme through Self-Help- Groups on the Economic Empowerment of Women.
- To get an idea about the issues related to Backward and Forward Linkages for the income generation activities of SHGs
- To enable the training and empowering weaker sections to produce value added products to reduce the rural poverty.
- To suggest remedial measures to improve women's status and empowerment.

#### Sub-Themes:

- Women Empowerment as a strategy for advancing removal of Rural Poverty
- · Women Empowerment in India Milestone and Challenges.
- Impact of Welfare Schemes: SHGs and Micro Finance
- · Poverty and Social Exclusion
- · Role of Women under Globalization
- Women and MSME Sector
- The Role of NGOs in the Empowering women through SHGs
- First Generation Women Entrepreneurs problems and prospects with focus on economic empowerment.
- Dealing with Gender Inequalities: Violence on women-some policy options.
- Women's Health Issues and Education Issues
- · Women and Equity for Social Justice
- Women and Ecology
- Participation of women and Inclusive Growth
- Representation and Portrayal of women in Media
- Women Entrepreneurship

# Papers Invited:

The Academicians, Research Scholars, Voluntary Organisations, Women Organisations and other interested Persons are invited to present the Study Papers in the Seminar. The Study Paper may be on the main Theme or on the Sub-themes of the Seminar Brochure. The Abstract of the Study Paper having not more than 300 words, and full length paper should be not more than 7 pages (2500 words) in 12 font size 1.5 line space and Times New Roman Style should be sent through an e-mail on or before 05-10-2017 povertynationalseminar@gmail.com Book: Selected Papers of the Seminar will be published in a Book by ISBN No. 978-93-85101-01-4